September 1, 2015

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to school! My name is Ms. Fannoney and I am your child’s Spanish teacher. I am excited about the opportunity to get to know you and your child, and I’m looking forward to a successful and productive school year.

**This year’s curriculum goals include:**

* Learn to read, write, speak and understand oral expression in Spanish
* Learn how to develop language skills
* Explore the many cultures that speak Spanish throughout the world
* Gain self confidence in one’s ability to speak another language
* Connect to other academic disciplines through the study of language and culture
* Honor and respect the Hispanic heritage woven into our American identity
* Use Spanish outside of the classroom

**The Required Supplies are:**

Textbook - ¡Avancemos! 1b (8th Grade)

1 ½” Three ring binder (For Spanish Only)

5 Dividers

Standard size white lined fill in paper with 3 holes

Sufficient pens and pencils (Blue or black ink only!)

White Board Markers

***Recommended: Spanish-English Dictionary, Plastic Protector Sheets, & Reinforcement Labels***

**Homework Policy:**

Students receive homework daily and it is due the following day. Homework assignments are not collected but are checked daily. Students receive three late passes for homework every marking period. This entitles them to submit three assignments in late without penalty. If they use all three, there is a late homework policy described in detail on their course syllabus.

**Grading Policy:**

Classwork 25%

Homework 15%

Assessments 45%

Notebook Quizzes 15%

Studies show that parental involvement in a child’s education is one of the strongest indicators of student achievement. I have developed a Wiki site that provides daily agendas, extra credit, handouts, links to helpful resources, and notices of upcoming quizzes and projects. If you should have any questions, concerns, or suggestions please feel free to contact me via email or telephone. My email address is [**n\_fannoney@stoughtonschools.org**](mailto:n_fannoney@stoughtonschools.org) and my telephone number is (**781)344-7002 ext 6244**. Once again, welcome to Spanish Class! Let’s work together to make this the best year ever!

Sincerely,

Nicole Fannoney

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